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Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of August 17, 2004, applicants resubmit (in its entirety) the "Amendments to the claims" section of applicant's amendment filed July 28, 2004.